



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 28, 2000

### **S. 2877**

### **Burnt, Malheur, Owyhee, and Powder River Basin Water Optimization Feasibility Study Act of 2000**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
on September 20, 2000*

S. 2877 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies for optimizing water use in the Burnt River, Malheur River, Owyhee River, and Powder River basins in Oregon. The bill would authorize the appropriation of funds necessary to complete those feasibility studies. Assuming the appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 2877 would cost about \$250,000 in fiscal year 2001.

S. 2877 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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